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## Joint Resolution

Oct. 22, 1986

[H.J. Res. 438]

To designate October 31, 1986, as "National Child Identification and Safety Information Day".

Whereas the American people are becoming increasingly aware of the high incidence of abduction and exploitation of the children of the United States;

Whereas it is estimated that more than 50,000 children will be kidnapped during 1985;

Whereas many organizations have dedicated themselves to teaching safety measures to children;

Whereas, to further protect the children of the United States, parents should maintain fingerprint and other identification records that will aid in locating missing children;

Whereas the evening of October 31, which is known as Halloween, is a night when children are especially vulnerable to abduction or attack;

Whereas there is a need on Halloween for parents to take extra precautions to ensure the safety of their children; and

Whereas October 31, 1986, is an appropriate day on which to commemorate the need for educating the public regarding child identification techniques and other child safety measures: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That October 31, 1986, is designated as "National Child Identification and Safety Information Day", and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved October 22, 1986.

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